



Kris Homan Waskiewicz “IS” Bobcat girls sports. Kris started teaching mathematics in the fall of 1971 at Wattsburg, after graduating from Villa Maria College in Erie. Kris taught all the courses ranging from general math through calculus in her 35-year career as a teacher. For the twelve years that Kris and her assistants coached, the Wattsburg/Seneca girls won six Erie County League Volleyball Championships in a row, Three District 10 Volleyball Championships, and placed third in the state twice, qualifying six times for the state playoffs. In Girls’ Basketball, the teams won two ECL championships and District 10 Titles and placed seventh in the state one year. Kris worked as a softball coach for the initial year of the sport. Kris worked with so many talented young ladies who were such a pleasure to work with seeing them mature into the women they became. She grew up in Oil City, PA and in her grade school days, Kris played basketball in eighth grade, intramurals in high school and college. There were very few, interscholastic teams at that time. When Kris started teaching, she expressed a desire to start some female athletic teams as girls and women’s sports were just in their infancy in our area. Bob Diffenbacher, as AD, was very supportive in helping Kris get girls sports started. Basketball was the first sport with volleyball soon after that and then softball. Kris was very involved in the startup of girls sports in the Erie County serving as the women’s representative to the Erie County League. In 1983, when Kris’ first of three children was born, she resigned from coaching. The Athletic Director job came open and Kris was named to that position, a position that she held for over twenty years until she retired in 2006. Kris felt honored to have worked with a great bunch of coaches who gave it their all to develop the potential and help mold character in our young athletes. Kris and her husband, Bob, still live on Wattsburg Road and enjoy seeing and hearing familiar names of present-day Seneca athletes whose parents played sports. They enjoy visiting their children and grandchild in Pittsburgh, Houston, and New York City.